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SUBJECT: VISIT OF P.M. BISTA TO U.S.

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1. BELIEVE I AM AWARE OF DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN CARRYING OUT
RECOMMENDATION IN REFTEL REGARDING PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT
FOR BISTA BUT HOPE WE CAN COUNT ON NEA GIVING IT A GOOD TRY.

2. ACCORDING TO RECORDS LAST HIGH-LEVEL NEPALESE VISITS TO
WASHINGTON WERE KING MAHENDRA IN 1967 AND B.P. KOIRALA AS
PRIME MINISTER WHEN HE SAW PRESIDENT EISENHOWER IN 1960.
LAST HIGH-LEVEL U.S. VISIT TO NEPAL WAS AGNEW IN 1970.

3. SEEMS TO US (A) NEPAL DESERVES BETTER GIVEN LONG AND
GOOD STATE OF OUR RELATIONS AND (B) HIGH-LEVEL CONTACT IS
OVERDUE GIVEN PAUCITY OF SUCH EVENTS IN RECENT YEARS.
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